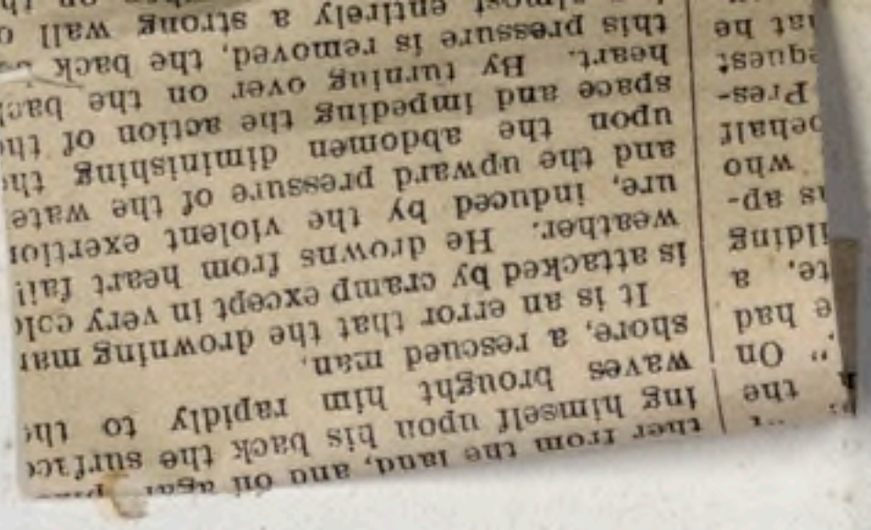

John B. Lyon S.S. Co. Sept 13. 1900.

Charles Allen told of a terrible experience in the wreck and in the water after the boat went down. He states that the Lyon sank on an even keel. When the heavy sea struck the steamer, it crushed in the decks and the hold instantly filled. The boat went down in a second. Allen secured a position on top of a piece of cabin which had been torn loose. He held on to this for several hours while the sea drove him nearer to to the shore. Many times he had given up hope, but the sight of land inspired him to hold on to the wreckage.

Capt. Albert Senghas, of the ill-fated boat, leaves a widow and two children, a boy aged 2 years and a girl aged 5, residing in this city. He was known as a capable, brave and cool-headed officer. He was wrecked two years ago in the steamer St. Lawrence on Lake Michigan, off Point Betsey, in a snow storm. Part of the crew went ashore, but he stayed on board till taken off by lifesavers.

When in a storm on Lake Huron several years ago, the captain and part of the crew deserted the steamer Ohio. Al. Senghas was second mate and refused to go, and later brought the boat to the Soo. He was a member of S. Ward Lodge F. & A. M., of this city, also the K. O. T. M. and Independent Foresters. He was about 35 years old, was born in this city and had hosts of friends here who regret his untimely end.

W. C. Tyler and son George were highly respected residents of Marine City and their sad death, together with that of Capt. Senghas, casts a gloom of sorrow over the entire city. W. C. Tyler had been in poor health all summer and had only been on the Lyon about 30 hours, having taken the place of Fred Koenig, this city, at this port, on her way down. He leaves a heart-broken widow and one son, Victor Tyler, to mourn his sad end.

George Tyler was second mate of the Lyon, having been in her all season. Geo. was about 25 years of age and possessed many splendid traits of character, chief among which might be mentioned his tender care and devotion for and to his mother. He was of a sunny disposition and had hosts of friends among old and young. He was a member of Fortress Lodge K. of. P., this city.

The Globe joins in extending heartfelt sympathy to the sorrow-stricken families.

Today's Detroit Free Press states that no trace can be found of the sunken steamer, but that the body of a man about 40 years old, having on a life preserver marked "Steamer John B. Lyon," was washed upon the beach at Conneaut Friday. The dead man is thought to be Michael Purcell, of Escanaba.

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